

110TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 3714

To amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to repeal restrictions relating to electioneering communications, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 1, 2007

Mr. PENCE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on House Administration

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Freedom of Political
5 Speech Act of 2007”.

6 **SEC. 2. REPEAL OF RESTRICTIONS RELATING TO ELEC-**
7 **TIONEERING COMMUNICATIONS.**

8 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subtitle A of title II of the Bipar-
9 tisan Campaign Reform Act of 2002 (Public Law 107–
10 155; 116 Stat. 88) is repealed, and each provision of law

1 amended by such subtitle is restored as if such subtitle
2 had not been enacted into law.

3 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

4 (1) IDENTIFICATION OF SPONSORS.—Section
5 318(a) of the Federal Election Campaign Act of
6 1971 (2 U.S.C. 441d(a)) is amended by striking “or
7 makes a disbursement for an electioneering commu-
8 nication (as defined in section 304(f)(3))”.

9 (2) CONTRIBUTIONS AND DONATIONS BY FOR-
10 EIGN NATIONALS.—Section 319(a)(1)(C) of such Act
11 (2 U.S.C. 441e(a)(1)(C)) is amended to read as fol-
12 lows:

13 “(C) an expenditure or independent ex-
14 penditure; or”.

15 **SEC. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

16 (a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subsection
17 (b), this Act and the amendments made by this Act shall
18 apply with respect to electioneering communications under
19 the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 which are
20 made on or after the date of the enactment of this Act.

21 (b) SPECIAL RULE FOR REPEAL OF DISCLOSURE RE-
22 QUIREMENT.—In the case of the repeal of section 201(a)
23 of the Bipartisan Campaign Reform Act of 2002, this Act
24 shall apply with respect to reports required to be filed

1 under section 304 of the Federal Election Campaign Act
2 of 1971 on or after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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